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SUBJECT: PFOR, MARR, SP

1. FOLLOWING IS A PROPOSED DRAFT TEXT FOR THE COMMUNIQUE WHICH REFLECTS.

THE VIEWS OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WHICH WE BELIEVE WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE. INDEED, IN SOME RESPECTS NOTABLY THE SHORTER TREATMENT GIVEN TO ECONOMIC COOPERATION IT SEEMS TO US TO BE AN IMPROVEMENT.

2. BEGIN TEXT: "THE UNITED STATES SPANISH COUNCIL, ESTABLISHED BY THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION, WHICH ENTERED INTO FORCE SEPT 21 1976 WAS FORMALLY CONSTITUTIONED ON OCT 1,1976. AT A MEETING UNDER THE JOINT CHAIRMANSHIP OF SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY A. KISSINGER AND FOREIGN MINISTER MARCELINO OREJA AGUIRRE. THE MEETING WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY THE PERMANENT MILITARY REPRESENTATIVES ON THE COUNCIL, GEN, GEORGE BROWN, CHAIRMAN OF THE UNITED STATES JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF AND LT. GEN CARLOS FERNANDEZ VALLESPIN, PRESIDENT OF THE JUNTA OF CHIEFS OF STAFF OF SPAIN, BY AMBASSADOR WELLS STABLER, UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO SPAIN AND PERMANENT U.S. REPRESENTATIVE ON

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THE COUNCIL AND, REPRESENTATIVES ON THE COUNCIL, BY SPANISH

AMBASSADOR AT LARGE JUAN JOSE ROVIRA Y SANCHEZ HERRERO AND MR JUAN DRUAN LORIGA RODRIGANEZ, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF NORTH AMERICAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS OF THE SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTRY.

IN FULLFILLMENT OF ITS RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERSEEING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION, THE COUNCIL NOTED WITH APPROVAL THE PLANS FOR EARLY CONSTITUTION OF THE VARIOUS BODIES UNDER ITS AEGIS, AND EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT THESE BODIES WILL SOON BE OPERATING EFFECTIVELY TO ACHIEVE THE AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE TREATY.

THE COUNCIL'S REVIEW OF THE CURRENT WORLD SITUATION REAFFIRMED THE VALUE OF THE TREATY AT THIS JUNCTURE IN WORLD AFFAIRS AND ITS IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE WESTERN COMMUNITY.

IN THE FIELD OF DEFENSE COOPERATION, THE COUNCIL UNDERLINED THE COMMITMENT OF BOTH GOVTS UNDER THE TREATY TO DEVELOP APPROPRIATE PLANS AND COORDINATION BETWEEN THEIR RESPECTIVE ARMED FORCES IN ORDER TO ENHANCE THEIR OWN SECURITY AND THAT OF THE WESTERN WORLD. THE COUNCIL LIKewise CONFIRMED THE IMPORTANCE OF ESTABLISHING COORDINATION WITH THE DEFENSE SYSTEM OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION. THE COUNCIL TOOK NOTE OF PREPARATIONS TO ESTABLISH THE COMBINED MILITARY COORDINATION AND PLANNING STAFF IN MADRID AS PROVIDED IN THE TREATY AND REQUESTED THE JOINT MILITARY COMMITTEE, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE COMBINED STAFF ONCE IT IS ESTABLISHED TO DEVELOP A WORK PROGRAM TO CARRY OUT THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THE TREATY FOR REVIEW BY THE COUNCIL AT ITS NEXT MEETING. THE JOINT MILITARY COMMITTEE IS ALSO MEETING ON OCT 1 IN WASHDC.

WITH REGARD TO ECONOMIC COOPERATION, THE COUNCIL NOTED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, WHICH HAS BEEN CREATED UNDER THE TREATY TO SERVE AS THE PRINCIPAL VEHICLE FOR BILATERAL ECONOMIC CONSULTATIONS, AND WHICH WILL BE CONVENED IN THE FALL. THIS COMMITTEE WILL SEEK TO COORDINATE THE POSITIONS OF BOTH GOVTS ON QUESTIONS OF MUTUAL INTEREST, BOTH BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL.

THE COUNCIL SIMILARLY APPROVED PLANS FOR EARLY CONVENING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION, BOTH OF WHICH WILL BE EXPANDING COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE FIELDS. THE COUNCIL IN PARTICULAR TOOK FAVORABLE NOTE OF PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION ALREADY HELD ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT CONFIDENTIAL

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SOLAR ENERGY RESEARCH PROGRAMS.

IN ALL OF THESE FIELDS, IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE TWO COUNTRIES TO CONTRIBUTE TO CLOSER EUROPEAN AND ATLANTIC COOPERATION.

THE COUNCIL, WHICH IS TO MEET AT LEAST SEMI-ANNUALLY, WILL NEXT BE CONVENED AT THE CALL OF THE CO-CHAIRMAN". END OF TEXT.  
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